

REMARKS

This is in response to the Official Action dated February 11, 2005. Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the indicated allowance of claims 1-7 and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of remaining claims 8-20 in view of the above-amendments and the following remarks.

With respect to claims 1-7, the Office Action acknowledged that the prior art does not disclose,

"Providing a first directory arranged in a structure based on a version of an ASIC design system different from a second version."

In response to Applicant's first Amendment, the Office Action stated that certain clauses of claims 8 and 15 were given no patentable weight because the recitations occurred in the preamble of the claims.

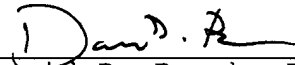
Accordingly, independent claims 8 and 15 are amended to move language regarding directory structures based on different versions of the ASIC design system into the body of the claims.

With these amendments and for the same reasons as were discussed in the previous Amendment, claims 8 and 15 and their respective dependent claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

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